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Docket No.: 56238 (71526)  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Masahiro Sakanaka et al.

Application No.: 09/913,669

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Filed: August 16, 2001

Art Unit: 1623

For: CEREBROVASCULAR  
REGENERATION/RECONSTRUCTION-  
PROMOTING AGENTS AND SECONDARY  
NERVOUS TISSUE DEGENERATION-  
INHIBITING AGENTS COMPRISING  
GINSENSIDE RB1

Examiner: D. Khare

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a two month extension of time to and including March 7, 2005 to respond to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2004.

This petition is being filed in order to ensure copendency with application being filed concurrently herewith.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 04-1105 in the amount of \$450.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2). The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been

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filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1105, under Order No. 56238 (71526). A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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